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Hongkong, 10th January, 1868.

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Hongkong, oth March, 1897.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION. THERE will be a SPOON COMPETITION TO-MORROW, the 29th instant, Commencing at 2 30 PM.

RANGES, 500 and 600 yards. Entrance, 30 conts. Subscriptions are now due and should be pald to the Undersigned. A. CHAFMAN,

Hongkorg, 25th January, 1898. THE LEADING CATERERS.

COMPARES OUR

MENU, BILLIARD TABLES and LIQUORS to all others. THE GRILL ROOM.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1897.

AMERICAN DENTIST. WINDSOR HOTEL, No. 16, Queen's Road,

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Intimations.

OFFICE HOURS:-10 to 12 A.M. 2 to 3 P.M. Hongkong, 3rd January, 1897.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-THIRD ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, TO-MORROW, the 20th instant, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together. with a Statement of Accounts; declaring a

Dividend, and electing auditors. The TRANSFER. BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 20th instant inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors. Secretary. Hongkong, 28th January, 1808

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONGKONG. THE ANNUAL MEETING of Scatholders and Subscribers will be held in the CITY HALL at 4 P.M. on MONDAY NEXT, January

aret to transact the following business :--To pass the accounts for 1897. To fill Vacancies on the Church Body. To elect an anditor for 1898.

To approve the Regulations. C. W. SPRIGGS, Hon. Secretary. P Hongkong, 25th January, 1898

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED. THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, Pedder Street, at Noon on SATURDAY, the tib - February, to receive a Statement of the

Company's Accounts to the 31st December, 1897, and the Report of the General Managers. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED, from the 26th inst, to the 5th proxime both days inclusive...

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 19th January, 1868 THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING

WEAVING AND DYING CO., LIMITED. NOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Managers, No. 4, Pedder Street, and MONDAY, the 7th day of February, 1808, at

4 o'clock in the afternoon. This meeting is called in order to comply with the Hongkong Ordinances and only format business will be transacted thereat. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Ceneral Managera Pongkong, 21st January, 1898, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

ORDINARY HALF YEARLY MEET-ING of the Shareholders, in this Corporation, will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the rath day of February next, at Noon, for the surpose of seceiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of account to 31st December, 1897. By order of the Court of Directors.

T. JACKSON. Chief Manager. Hongkong, 26th January, 1808. HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION. NOTICE is hereby given that the REGIS-TERS OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 19th instant, to the 12th day of February next (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be register d.

By order of the Court of Directors,

(Sd.) T. JACKSON, Hongkong, 26th January, 1898.

TIS EXCELLENCY The GOVERNOR STONE of the New Reformatory on the site at CAUSEWAY BAY punctually at 11 A.M. TO. MORROW, the 29th Instant. Those wishing to ice the Ceremony are invited to attend. Hongkong, 28th January, 1808

ALL OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS of HIS EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR must be SENT Into GOVERNMENT HOUSE on or before MONDAY, the 31st January.

Private Secretary. Hongkong, 27th January, 1808. NAVY LEAGUE.

PAPTAIN ANDERSON has kindly con-Reasons why we ought to support the Navy League," la the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 31st of January, at 5 15 P.M. The general public of both sexes are invited

HENRY E. POLLOCK How Secretary.

18, Bank Bulldings. 27th January, 1898. PUBLIC NOTICE OF EXPIRY OF FARM.

THE EXCLUSIVE PRIVILEGE of Proparing Oplum and Selling and Retailing Ocium so prepared will cease on the 28th February, 1298, No Prepared Opium purchased from us or our Licensees can be used conset of the new Holder of such Exclusive

Privilege as aforesaid., MAN FOOK COMPANY, Oplum Parmers,

Hongkong, 25th January, 1898,

## Co-dan's Advertisements.

VICTORIA, CHAPTER, No. 525, E.C.

REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-NIGHT, the 28th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited to attend. Hongkons, 28th January, 1808.

NOTICE.

HE Undersiged has established bimself as GENERAL MERCHANT and COM-MISSION AGENT, under the STYLE or FIRM name of M. A. A. DE SOUZA & CO. M. A A. DE SOUZA.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1898.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI. THE Company's Steamship

"SINGAN. Captain Jamisson, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 20th Instant, at 5 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, 28th January, 1898. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED, FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"ONSANG." Captain I. Young, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the '1st February, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised. For Freight or Passage, apply to TARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hougkong, 28th January, 1798 FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

General Managera.

CALCUTTA. THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR." Captain E. Key, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 3rd February, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, 28th January, 1898. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

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"AND STRAITS. Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their wish in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Golowns, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed. From Itely, ex S.S. Sutlef. Optional Goods will be tanded here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd February at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent. No Fire Inserance will be effected by me in

any case whatever." All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowas and a cortificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent. Hongkong, 28th Jenuary, 1898.

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

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We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

WATSON & CO., LD THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Hongkong, 8th December, 1897.

MARRIAGE,

On the 28th instant, at St. John's Cathedral, by the Rev. R. H. Cobbold, ALFRED NORTON HUKE to KATE, daughter of the Rev. Alexander Fraser, Oban, Scotland.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1898.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

At last, after many disappointments, the height of our ambition is attained and the exact to say the season in which we have cup of our happiness is full, the recognition | frequently run short of water in past years. of merit and the reward of patient waiting will now be ours-we have been taken for Public Works that, since the completion the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank! We of the splendid waterworks at Tytam, thought it would come to that some day; Hongkong has several times been face to It was a long time coming, and when we face with a water famine, and is not yet were mistaken for nothing more remuneral very far removed from the possibility of ative than Norwegian Consulates and a repetition. The enlargements of the Colonial Secretariats we felt weary at storage capacity are very satisfactory as heart with hoping against hope. But now far as they go, but the population is is the winter of our discontent made increasing all the time, and Hongkong glorious summer by this P.M.G.! The has an unusually wasteful population. On Post Office has at length paid tribute to the seriousness of trivial waste, a corresour sterling worth by giving us the Bank's pondent of Indian Engineering, signing mails. The Hongkong Telegraph has hitherto worked purely for love of work, but has done good in the world and deserves recompense. The Bank can easily afford to let us keep a little of the misdirected wealth, we need it, for the whole paper, plant, goodwill and everything only fetched \$25,000 at auction three years

A little nonsense now and then Is relished by the wisest men,

We are wise enough to relish the nongense of the Post Office, its eccentricities and humours forming the ideal of Gilbert's Mikado, " a source of innocent merriment." Life would not be worth living without an occasional bit of fun, and though it may sometimes be rather hard on the objects of it, they only have themselves to blame and really we try to let them off lightly. But the P. M. G. and his unconscionable coolles have simply "superbed themselves," as Mrs. MALAPROP would say. Here was our overworked "scissors and paste" artist yesterday, up to his neck in newspapers from San Francisco, Vancouver, Singapore, India, Ceylon, Salgon, Tonkin, Manila, Shanghai, Japan, and a few other places, when the Post Office delivery-man on his desk dumped Tientsin papers-seven altogether. One newspaper is published in Tientain, and that is weekly; so our "Snip" murmured casually "They must be having a stiff winter in Tientsin -snowed up for seven weeks at a stretch!" Then he methodically relegated Tientsin to its proper place at the outside edge of ting chunks from the Empress mail without further thought, for our own Tientsin correspondent is good enough if there is any news there, and the papers can wait. To-day, coming to look at the Tientsin mail, he finds copies of a single day's issue, addressed to various people in Hongkong, including one only for this office, two for the Bank, two for our contemporaries, one for the I. M. Customs and one for Kelly and Walsh. Now, if similarly misdeliver at this office a con-

Chinese are resuming hostilities at Kiao- stay there,"

chow, is somewhat surprising. It would hardly seem credible that even such utter imbeciles as Chinese would be capable of such suicidal folly as to make ambuscades and assessinate German soldiers when peace has just been restored at such great cost; especially when Prince MENEY of Prussia is on his way out with several shiploads of "mailed fists" for their speclai edification. If he had filled up his ships with coal instead of gas, by the way, the Gefton would not have had to put back to Perim. This trifling incident of the voyage is a significant illustration of the helplessness of small-bunkered warships without coaling-stations, and another argument in favour of such vessels as the Powerful, with 3,000 tons-bunker capacity. The Geston is an unarmoured 20-knot cruiser of 4,000 tons, built in 1893. Her coal capacity "is not stated in Brassey's Naval Annual.

It is now quite certain that the French have not done anything which would warrant the scare about annexing Hainan, They assembled some ships there, when the rumours were rife about Britain annexing part of Kwangtung, or Chusan, or Tallenwan; and if Britain had made a CLARET.—Our Clarets, including the lowest "grab," France would in all probability have then taken. Hainan as a set-off. It would be useful from a strategic point of not artificially made from raisins and view to have a good naval port thereabor commanding the approaches to Tonkin, and convenient for raids on Hongkong in the event of war; but Hainan itself has no very good harbour. There is a much better one, a splendid harbour in fact, on the mainland nearly opposite Hainan; The island itself would not be worth having, and would be one of the most difficult bits of territory in the whole world marked "E" is universally popular, and is to manage. Still, considerations of that pronounced by the best local conneisseurs sort did not prevent the annexation of to be superior to any other brand in the Madagscar, and Hainan may be taken some day.

> At present Frenchmen have enough to attend to at home. The revelation of rottenness arising out of the Daxyrus case are enough to make one despair of France as a nation. The two factions, one attacking Daxyrus and his friends, and the other trying to divert the accusations to Esternazy and his friends, include almost the whole of the upper ranks of the army; and the allegations on both sides are of such a shocking nature that they surely cannot have been formulated without reason. It would appear that the Burden. army administration is based purely on plunder; and putting this side by side with the Panama and Legion of Honour scandals, it seems as though France is managed mainly for the benefit of unscrupulous men in high positions, who direct the affairs of their departments with a single eye to what they can make for themselves by dishonesty of all kinds. How the country survives is a mystery.

The season of short water supply is now upon us; or rather, it would be more It may be news to our new Director of himself "Fellow of the Sanitary Institute,"

Last summer I was at, a large boarding bouse in Brighton and no:iced that four of the lavatory taps were sunning continuously as the screw down cocks did not fit properly. I spoke to the laudlord and gave him professional advice gratis, stating that either a new leather washer was wanted or, perhaps, the seat required to be filed a little, that a plumber could do the whole four. cocks in a day. To my surprise the landlord said that the house was not his own, that he had written to the owner some days ago, and he didn't see why he should pay the plumber. then made a few rough calculations to the following effect: - Suppose that the sectional area of the stream was to/th of a square luch, that the supply system was 36 feet above the tap, and allowing 50 per cent. for irictional voyage. resistances due to bends, branch pipes, etc, the loss from one tap was probably 5,300 gallons per day of 24 hours, or for the four taps 21,200 gallons per diem. A good screw down cock with labour of fitting complete does not cost more than 70. When I went to Anerley I put in new cocks everywhere, also three up-to date water closets with the newest pattern of water waste preventers from a firm who supply Mariborough House, yet I was charged the same rate by the Johnson, water company as though I had wasted their substance in rictous living.

ARRIVAL OF H.M.S. "ALACRITY!

BRITISH WARSHIPS AT CHUSAN.

H.M.S. Alacelly, which left Flongkong on the 16th inst. for Shanghal, conveying the lidestroyers' Hart and Hanoy, returned to port to-day. She had a lot of rough weather on the voyage north but the "destroyers" again his mountain of papers, and went on cut- proved themselves weatherly little vessels. The Alacrity stopped at Chusan, where she parted with her charges. A Telegraph reporter boarded the despatch vessel on her arrival and was informed that the only place of news the officers had was that H.M.S. Centurion and Immortaliti were at Chusan on Sunday lest and that the Algerine came down to Chusan from Shanghai on Moraday with mai's. "We heard," said one officer, "that some of our ships were at Chemulpo, but no one the Post Office could only contrive to knows anything for a certainty-not even the THE Medical Officer of Heilth reports that re-elected to the board on the motion of Messry, flagship's officers. We were off sgain on Tuessignment of specie for the Bank, and/or day last so had little chance of hearing any- seven cases of small-gow in the centre of the ditto Customs revenue receipts, we thing. No, we have not seen any of the foreign chy, six having come from Wanchal. In view the re-election of the auditors, Messrs, F. Henwouldn't complain. Somebody else might. Hest since we last left Hongkong. The Admiral of this two free Vaccination Stations are to be is remaining with the flagship at Chusan but opened, one in No. 5 district and one at Wan-The news we publish to-day, that the nobody knows how long the ships are likely to chal. A free station for others than Chinese

## ELEGRAMS

### ("HONGKONG TELEGRAPH "SPECIAL) RENEWED FIGHTING AT KIAOCHOW.

GERMANS KILLED BY AMBUSCADES.

CHANCE FOR PRINCE HENRY'S "MAILED FIST."

FYROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT. Shandhat, January 28th,

It is reported that the Chinese about Kiaochow are reopening hostilities, and that a hundred Chinese soldiers lay in ambush and killed a German sentry who was on outpost duty. Afterwards, three other German soldiers, going the rounds and relieving sentries, were unexpectedly attacked and killed, after a vigorous struggle in self-defence which resulted in the deaths of twelve natives. Klaochow is intensely agitated in consequence.

## REUTER'S MESSAGES

PROGRESS OF THE GERMAN SQUADRON.

LONDON, January 26th. The German cruiser Gefion, accompanying Prince Henry of Pruisis on the voyage to Chins, has returned to Perim for coal,

SEIZURE OF ARMS IN THE GULF OF OMAN.

H.M.S. Lapwing has selved the steamer Beluchistan off Muscat whilst attempting to land arms and munitions. The Consul has confiscated the cargo.

THE RIFLE BRIGADE TO STOP. AT MALTA

The Rifle Brigade, on its way home from Singapore, has been ordered to land at Malta.

## DOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.52 per £ THE French mail steamer Natal left Salgon this morning for this port.

AMONG the passengers who arrived from home by the Bornso to-day, were Bishop and Mrs

A COOLIE was to-day sout to gool for six weeks for the their of a bag of sugar from a Prays West godown.

FOR cutting trees on Government land at Hungham a tattered and dirty looking coolie was today sent to gaol for fourteen days.

LT. T. D. Jackson, son of the popular manager of the H.K. Bank, arrived here this morning by the P. & O. Bornso, to join the Royal Lancasters.

to-day from London, a number of military officers were passer gers. The Borneo also brought details totalling 144 men for the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers.

Valley between the "Craigengower" Cricket Club and the "Harmonic" Cricket Club tomorrow commencing at 2 30 p.m. sharp. Players | houses of a class for which there is much enquiry, are requested to be punctual. Two women who had had a quarrel yesterday proceeded to settle the matter with nature's

wespons-finger nails in this instance-and when one of them had her face made like a rallway man the police appeared on the scene. To-day the belligerents were fined \$1 each. A FESTIVE old Chinese barber who has been

his been companions to-day with having drugged him and stolen \$100 from him. The evidence was decidedly "fishy" and after hearing a little of it Mr. Wodehouse discharged the defendant.

terday, encountered very rough weather during be gained. The forward part of her upper works, bridge, etc., have been damaged. She left Vancouver one day late, and lost another day on the

A CRICKET MATCH will be played to-morrow between a Club XI and a Naval XI. The following will play for the Club :- Dr. Atkinson (Capt.), F. Lammert, G. A. Woodcock, H. Wyford, J. F. Noble, F. H. Kew, L. S: Crawf rd, A. Anderson, K. W. Mounsey, D. Wood, Lt.

To-DAY being the seventh of the Chinese New Year we were treated to another deafening din of crackers. The fun began at about I a.m. and it was kept up ashore and affoat through the day with an enthusiasm that speaks volumes for Chinese carnestness, but we don't but there was a steady increase in the rents for see it from that point of view by any means,

THE Royal Hongkong Yacht Club will hold a race for Mr. Mitchell's prizes to-morrow. The course will be from Police Pier, Kowloon, round Meyer's E. Buoy, Channel Rocks, Kowloon Rock, Meyer's E. Buoy, and Channel Rocks, all to port; ro miles. Start at 2 p.m. Handicap will be posted up at the V.R.C. at noon to-morrow. THE Band of the K. O. L. Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mesa

March..... "Friests War March" Athalia ... Mendelssohn Good Save the Queen.

this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock :--

during the present mouth there have been thirtywill be spened at the Covernment Civil Mospital. I the colony where the addresses were known.

THE Hon, Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals :-

Posk Galid .... \$300 Sing Woo Co..... 100 Fresh Fish Gold ..... 30 Forg Wa Chin..... 10 Lo Cheung Ip.....

THE Monila sailer charged with assaulting a Shewan. countryman by cutting his head, was brought up on remand at the Magistracy to-day, Constable Johnson told the Magistrate that he took complainant to the Hospital on a Friday night; while complainent said that it was on Thursday night. No direct evidence was obtainable and defendant was bound over in his own recognisance to keep the peace for six months. .Inspector Gilles informed his Worship that the quarrels between Manlia and Spanish sailors when gambling ashore gave the police much trouble and only a couple of nights ago, one man was seriously stabbed and the culpilt was still at large,

#### HONGRONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

The shareholders in this company held their ninth ordinary meeting at the offices, Victoria Buildings at noon to-day. The Hop. J. J. Beli-Irving presided and there were also present Hon. C. P. Chater, A. J. Raymond, N. A. Slebs, D. Gubbay, A. Haupt, and Lee Sing (directors) A. Shelton Hooper (secretary) Mesers, C. S. Sharp, T. I. Rose, J. C. dos Remedios, R. K. Leigh, (Laughter). J. H. Cox, N. J. Ede, F. Henderson, G. M. Bain,

I. N. Gorsman, P. Jordan, S. A. Seth. The Chairman said-Gentlemen, I propose, with your, permission, to take the Reports and Accounts, which have been in your hands for some days, as read. On reference to the accounts, you will observe that the gross profits earned for the year under review amounted to \$252,702.24 as against \$253,379.43 for the previous year. Our Rent account shows a substantial increare, whilst Commission account and the Profit arising from sales of Properties give an improved return on the figures appearing in previous reports. Interest account necessarily has decreased on account of the large reduction in the amount invested in Mortgage and the Interest paid on the increased sum standing at Loans Payable. The total amount advanced on Morigages, you will observe, is about two less than in former year, whilst our investments Properties are increased by over three lace The profits for the past year were somewhat reduced by the necessarily increased expenditure in repairs to property and fire insurance premis, the former having increased from about \$8.000 to \$13,000, and the latter from to \$4,709,390.75, being about ten lacs in excess A CRICKET match will be played at the Happy be largely increased. The principal purchases properties. during the rast year, have been in land situate in the seighbourhood of Bowen Road and Kennedy Road, where we are erecting European

and, we have no doubt, will yield a satisfactory return. We have also acquired land from the Government in Talpingshan whereon will be built Chinese houses and shops, for which there is a demand in that locality. The whele of the Company's buildings are in a good condition and satisfactorily rented, the raturns from which have recently improved and your Directors look forward to a forther increasing revenue therefrom, Before leaving the matter of the investment to property, I would particularly beg to draw dissipating for some time past charged one of your attention to the fact that it must be a few years before their development is complete, and therefore our profits (by writing off the interest and Crown Rent on same, whilst the properties | were re-elected, themselves are unyielding) must necessarily be cuitailed, and the policy adopted by your Directors of carrying forward the substantial sum we THE Empress of India which arrived here yes- | do intend of dividing it, will we hope and bilieve meet with your approval. Having already, the voyage and on one day only sor knots could | as mentioned a large sum invested is undeveloped procesties, it is not at present the intention of your Directors to acquire a further interest in properties who'ly undeveloped unless they are obtainable on most favourable terms. Our mortgages all show, in the opinion of your Directors, imost satisfactory margins, and many cases the marging have been increased by the mortgagors against any wish on our part to reduce the advances.

> Chairman proposed the adoption of the report. Mr. C. S. Sharp seconded. He had he said listened with a great deal of interest to the remarks of the Chairman and he was very glad to see them going in more for what he might | Oa, Willie, we will miss you call legitimate business-property-owning instead of money-landing. He would like to see a further decrease made in the morgages and a corresponding increase in their investments in property. Some might feel disappointed that their business had not been more progessive, 1897 over those of the preceding year. There was also a large sum lavested in property, that was not yet revenue-bearing, and they could rest with a sure and certain hope for the future ! This world is always moving," regarding these properties. Their positou of the Reclamation ground was so advanced as to allow building, and there was also their fine property in the neighbourhood of Bowen and ! As heavy as the silver slump Kennedy Roads. He thought that property bere had a bright fature. There was an facrousiche demand for houses and marked activity to building was seen everywhere. The colony was whout to commence on an era of new prosperity in which this company with its sound investments and under able direction should reap's bright harvest in the future. The motion was then carried.

There being no question from the meeting the

The appointments of Messes, A. J. Raymond D. Gubbey and A. Haupt as directors were con firmed on the motion of Morres, Ede and Leigh and Messra N. A. siebs and D. Gubbay were Rose and Cox

Mesers. Murray Bain and Goosmann proposed derson and A. Coutts. This was also carried. The Chairman announced that divisiond warrants would be ready to-morrow and that they would be posted to those shareholders outside

WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LTD.

The ninth ordinary meeting of shareholders in the above company was held at 11.30 a.m. to-day attractifices, Victoria Buildings. The Hon. C. P. Caster presided and there were also present Hon, J. J. Bell-Irving, A. J. Raymond, C. S. Sharp (Directors), A. Shelton Hooper (Secretary L.W. J. Ede, T. I. Rose, J. N. Gooteman, Paul Jordan, R. C. Leigh, J. C. dos Romedior, K. McK. Fore, and M S. S. Sastoon and

The Chaleman said :- Genilemen, I will, with your permission, take the Recost and Accounts as road. In presenting the same, your Directors are p'essed to be able to point out that the Balence at Credit of Profit and Lors account has Increased to \$17,061:06 at against \$13 039.10 in the previous year, thereby enabling them to recommend a Dividend of \$1.25 per share, which Is an Increase of 35 cents per share over last year, a result which you, no doubt, will deem satisfactory. The Rent Account has increased from \$17,863 23 to \$30 665.71 and we have saved about \$800 in Interest and \$500 in repairs, but there has been an increase of \$400 in Insurance. The whole of the property is in good condition, and we trust before long the properly may be entirely occupied. Should any Shareholder wish for any further information, I shall be glad to answer any questions which may be put.

Mr. N. J. Eds: About how many houses have

The Chairman: We have 98 houses; 74 are wholly occupied and we are getting \$2,085 per month. The remaining 24 are partially occupied and increase 10 vacant more. There are no whole houses uplet; we have 16 floors whichif occupied would return \$398 per month.

Mr. Shewan; I second the motion for the adoption of the report. I see my landlord is on the board of directors. He has just increased my sent to percent. No doubt he will advice the board to do the same with their property.

The motion was unanimously carried.

The confirmation of Mr. Raymond's appointment to the board was agreed to on the motion. of Messes. Ross and Rose.

Messrs. Chater and Bell-Irving were re-slected directors and Mr. F. Henderson was again elected auditor.

This concluded the business,

#### KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

The shareholders of the above company held their ninth ordinary meeting at the offices, Victoria Buildinge, at 3 p.m. to-day. Mr. F. Henderson presided and there were also present Messes, E. Jones Hugher, J. Goosman, J. H. Cox (directors), At Shelton Hooper (secretary), Paul Jerdan, E. Georg, H. Holmes, and M. S.

The Chairman said there was really very little for him to say regarding the report before the meeting. The houses in Knutsford Terrace had \$3 4co to \$5,800. Our total assets now amount | been fully occupied throughout the year and those in Canton Villas had been occupied since of our p id up Capital and Receive Fund, and their completion. As the reighbourhood seemed it is on this d'fference that the interest is pay- such a popular out it warranted the hope that able by us as shown is the Profit and Loss ac- | this state of things would long continue. The count Out of the sum of 24 lacs invested in houses had been kept in proper repair without properly, eight to nine lace represent the value any extraordinary expense being incurred. With of land which is being developed, and as I stated | respect to the erection of the three houses in to you last year, it consequently yields no return | Canton Villas, the Company's work on the site By the P. & O. steamer Borneo, which arrived for the time being; a large portion of this class must now be considered as complete. The of property is land recisimed and in course of formation of the 1-nd did not admit of any reclamation, and some of it is in a sufficientle | further extension. A divident of &r had been advanced state to allow buildings to be exected | declared as against 80 cents list year. He thereon almost immediately, plans for which are | mentioned, that the rents from Canton Villas now in course of preparation, and, or completion | were quite equal to expectations when they of the buildings, our sevenue from the sents will. Invested the balance of the gaoney in those

Mr. H. Holmes said he queried the statement regarding the farther development of the property referred to. It was an open question and he thought the property would be much further opened up in future years.

The Chairman said he only seferred to the present condition of things. If it so happened that the British Government obtained a scientific frontier for Kowloon they might see seme wonderful developments. That could not be taken into account at present.

Mr. Holmes seconded the adoption of the report and it was carried.

On the motions of Messts. E. Georg and Holmes, Messrs E. Jones Hughes and J. H. Cox were re-elected directors and Messrs, T. Arnold and W. H. Gaskell, the retiring auditors,

Dividend warrants will be ready at the office

## HOAGKONG "ODD VOLDMES.

FAREWELL TO HE E. SIR W. ROBINSON.

There was a large gathering of the Odd Volumes and their friends this afternoon, to witness the presentation of a farewell, address to H. E. the Governor, Sir William Robinson, G.C.M.G. The address read as follows :-

Oh, Wille, we shall miss you! They said you'd never go; And in spite of all your failings, We hoped it would be so.

We hoped you'd stay for ever, For ever and a day! When you are far away ! We've had all sorts of Governors,

With varying success. Some of them did more than you, And one or two did less. You've not been quite a Kingly Log And not at all a Stork, When you leave here, we'll shed a tear-

Have an onlon on a fork . The best of friends must part. You leave your friends so loving With a heavy, busy heart !

S.nco 1886." Oh, Willie, we shall miss you, Like a thousand tons of bricks i His Excellency replied :-There is a massion in this town,

In this town. Where I've often sat me down, Sat me down. And I've drunk deep drinks To the health of you and me.

And I've lingered lovingly with ye ! Then farewell for I must leave you, Do not let the parting grieve you, But remember that the best of friends must part.

Must part Adleu, ye Hongkongites, Adieu, sdieu, adieu ! I can no longer stay with you,

Stay with you ! But I hang my harp on the weeping willow tree. Which I never more shall see !

HINDRANCES TO THE DEVELOP, MENT OF TRADE IN KWANG-TUNG AND KWANGSI.

Willing to destroy what they care not to initiate.

(By our Special Correspondent) In volume I of "Decernial Reports on the Trade, Navigation, Industries etc., of the Ports | happens, however, that the policy of the native opened to Foreign Commerce in China and Corea" (1982-91 Edition, page 5 and 9) M. Le scenit y, that their main object is to create a Rocher, the Commissioner at Canton in 1801, monopoly in favour of Mr. Wong's Ping On in his very interesting report on Kwangtung Company, and it is, moreover, a fact that the province in the course of his remarks on the Regulations now in force were never intended to be future, an then discernible, of the pore and dis- | final as regards the course across the Delte. The trict of f anton says :- "It is not difficult to Regulations are dated Canton, August, 1897, and foresen that the commercial prosperity of the district will mainly depend on the development of the West River as a traderoute. This route is the natural channel for the interior commerce of the southern portion of the . Empire, but its advantages have, so far been neutralised by heavy and harassing taxition. If this policy is pessisted in, the rival routes now being pushed by the French through Tonkin, and, in a less degree probably, the projected lines through Burma, will infallibly divert from Kwangtong province a large portion of the inter-provincial traffic witch it now controls; and deprive it of any share in the trade that may result from the development of Kwangs!, Yunnan, and Kweich w." M, Rocher then mentions the projected railway from Pakhol to Nanning fu an" continue: :- " It would be sufficlent for the present, at n'l events-to do away with the cordon of Likin stations that time the West River and adopt a system of fair and uniform taxation of goods once for all-such. for instruce, as has worked so successfully for the case of foreign opinion." In snother part of bis clab rate report the Commissioner says, "The West River (or Capton) Delta remains the highway of its (Canton's) commerce. Withlithe limits of the Delta the choice of soules is constantly liable to be determined by the devices of Hattve tax collectors, the sivally between steamers'and lunks, and other causes; but there fluctuations are, as a rule, temporary, and do not necessarily affect the volume or course of trades. It should be borne in mind that these opinions of the Commissioners of Customs at Canton were perfied in 1891 before there was any ground for hoping that the West River would be thrown open to the commerce of all mations and at a time, too, when the Commissioner of Customs actually deprecated the early opening of Wuchow-in as a Treaty Port. And I say he deprecated it advisedly for he states in his decennial report dated Canton 31st D cemb.r 1891, "It has been proposed to construct a rallway from Pakhol to to Nanning, and sgain, to make Wuchow-in; in Kwanesi a treat/ port; but it is doubtful whether either of these schemes to of pressing importance" The importance of opening the West River is, strange to say, admitted by the Commissioner, who says "the commercial prosperity of the district will mainly depend on the development of the West Riveraga trade route and yet although he realised this he submitted that the opening of the river to foreign trade and residence, with the extension of the operation of the beneficial tra-sit pass system that was certain to at once ensue, was not a matter of " prestrade may develop and have fre : course for exsing importance " . That it was a matter of great passion this monopoly should, be quickly and importance is, I am glad to be able to report, shown by the large volume of the trade done by fair field and no favour and that is just what he foreigners and Chicere at Wuchow during the hasn't got yet on the West River. The field is first six months of its existence as a treaty port and by the ever-increasing demand for Transit Passes both for imported goods and native produce intended for export to foreign countries. The perseverance of the Hongkong Chimber of Commerce, a cosmopulitan body in its agitation for the opening of this waterway and -this great "natural channel for the Interior commerce of the southern parties of the Empire," as M. Rocher rightly terms itand the pressure brought to bear on the Central Government to induce it to consent to the reasonable demands of the Belijih Government are a'ready more than justified by the splendie results of the first six months work at Wuchew, and I make bold to assert that the Customs returns for the six months ending 31st December, xfor will in the near fature fully demonstrate

The sevenue at Wuchow for the six months exceeds The So,oco and the trade of the port has grown more rapidly and shows more signs of vitality than has been noticeable in any newly in To-day the Imparcial urged that, in view of opened part in China ] But what has all this to the character of the reply of United States do with the hindrances to trace as mentioned [Minister Woodford to the note of the Spanish in the first part of this report? I will now ex- | Government in answer to the first communica-, plain. In the second paragraph of the list of I tion of the American Government through him, bindrances to trade I stated that the Steamboat | it is necessary to increase the Spanish fleet, as Co.'s vessels and some Chinese steamers are against the eventuality of a conflict with the compelled to run about 40 to to miles further to I United States. reach Samshul, on the West River, than the steamers owned by the Ping On Company, a | the United States upon the internal policy of parely Chinese concern in which certain officials | Spain have become intolerable and must be connected and controlling the Lekin Bureau are resisted energeileally. The situation is difficult, known to be interested; and in paragraph 3, I | but at whatever cost the Government ought to asserted that the Ping On Company has a mono- | put an end to such a shameful state of affairs poly of the trade in f.eight and passenger trade | for the sake of the di nity of Spain." between Canton and the towns situated on the banks pland near, the creeks which form the | According to advices from Tokyo, Japan has shortest route through the Delia to Kumchuk offered to assist the officers at Poking in deliling Whampon ........... and Samshul. Now, it is manifestly unfair, and, the Chinese army, and to consent to a postnone-It is generally admitted to be an obstacle to the | ment of the war indemnity, Many of the officers | Brong... development of trade, to have any portion of a and Poking officials favour the proposal, given trade, much less the major postion of it. The Peking correspondent of the Times says: menopolised by one company or one clique. The Government refuses to put the Ikin under leaving only the coumbs for others who may be foreign control as security for the loan proposed disposed and be legally entitled to take part in | by the Hongkong and Shanghal Bank, and it. That is had enough in all conscience, but asserts that unless the loan is procurable withthe situation assumes a grave aspect when it is out this condition, arrangements will be made found that the monopolists are high officiely of for a Russian guaranteed 4 per cent loan o the Government whose duty it is to foster trade | 100,000,000 taels, to be fished at 93 net, The and thereby enhance the revenue of the State or | security will be the land tax, which would rethe provinces. Several lines of small cargo and | main under Chinese administration passenger steamers (including two steamers | China in return would give Russia a monopoly owned by the Hongkong, Canton and Macao of the Great Wall, open a port at the terminus ton and Wuchow via Samshul, and one of these | that a Russian should succeed Sir Robert Hart which one Wong Chuen Sin, the Chief of the customs. If these condition abould be permitted Lokin Burent at Canton, is a large shareholder. | British trade interests would suffer severely, When the West River was opened to foreign trade on the 4th Jone last it was idecided by The losurgent Chief Rivers has arrived a the properly constituted foreign and native | Cadiz from Cubs. He will be incarcerated in authorities that steamers proceeding to the fortress. In an interview Rivers said he believed West River from Canton should, in accordance | that nothing would induce the Cubans to cease with the treaty of February 4th, 1897, take a lighting before they attained their independence. certain route. The route laid down and followed steamers is just about 100 miles to length from | Fang, the Chinese Minister to the United States, Canton to Samshul and in navigating this course explains the Eastern situation ! " What has they steer mainly in two directions representing, China done," he asked by way of preface, "that roughly, on the chart two sides of a triangle. she should be divided up and parcelled out have in tow huge boats containing about 200 to the nations or against civil/sation? Germany take a short-cut through the Delts, is. they run subjects have been murdered. If this is true, they have, irrespective of a large and ever- talk of dismembering China. Why do they not

foreign vessels being allowed to call only at the treaty ports in Chioa and Japan may be cited as fustification for the authorities declining to permit-as they do decline-the Steamboat Co.'s vessels using the shortcut routes to Samshul. That would be reasonable enough, perhaps, if the intention was to protect the native shipping industry and if the Regulations now in force were final on the point, It authorities will not stand the test of careful conclude with the following additional article :--The shove Regulations and Rules are provisional for a year and are to be added to, rescinded, or amended as experience and local requirements may dictate.

Notwithstanding this very clearly worded article and courteous application for permission to use the shartest route to Samshul the Chinese authorliles refuse to budge one iach and not only prevent foreign vessels from using the shortest route but have even selzed launches belonging to Mr. Sit Ming Kuk and others, flying the Chinese flag, while in the lawful nursuit of their business as Chinese vessels. On one occasion recently the Lekin vultures seized one of the Won Kee Co's vessels and detained her several days because she was taking the shortest route to Samshul . The great object of the authorities is to protect the Play Oa monopolists and, as I understand It, induce the bellet in the native mind that to travel quickly and safely they must use the Plag On's boats. I am reliably informed that urgent representations will shortly be made to the proper authorities with a view to obtaining for all vessels trading between Canton and West River paris the right to use the shortest soutes scross the Del a. There would seem to be no need to wait until August (the completion of one year) for amendment of the Regulations in this connection for it is evident from the wording of the treaty that the provisional Regulations should have been ready (as a matter of fact they were not mady) as soot as the port was opened, f.e. on the 4th June, and that therefore one year will have elapsed long before August. It is to be hoped that the native authorities will be able to perceive the error of their ways (if they are not quite deaf to reason and utie ly devoid of common senic) in the near fiture, accept the inevitable with a good grace and thereby in a small measure make amends for the wrongs they have done to foreigners and to Chinese launth and passenger boat owners that have had the misfortune to locur the displeasure of the all-powerful Ping 'On monopolists and their backers. One would have thought that a man like Mr. Wong would have been well satisfied with the profits secretor to him from his connection with the Lekin Office; but there is, of course no accounting for the actions of persons, who, however well off, are ever thirsting for more. Like the dipsomaniac they will go to great langths to quench their thirst and the more it is pandered to the greater, the more leresistible, more insatiable does it become. But to return to our subject. The treatment of the foreign-owned and other liners.

fair enough, but the favours are mischievous. - (To be continued.)

AMERICAN AND CANADIAN MAIL NEWS.

JOHANNEBURG, December 24th. President Kruger, in the course of a speech at Krugersdere, on Tuesday, dwelt on the danger of the so-called constitutional methods of Hon. Ceci Rhodes, and upon the importance of keeping out of Mr. Rhodes' clutches Delagos Bay, which the President characterized as "the Transvasi's only gateway to the sea,"

MELBOURNE, December 25:b. The Government of New South Wales is arranging to supply frozen meet to the Russian authorlifes at Vigdivostock.

MADRID, December 26th.

El Heraldo says : - "The encroachments of

LONDON. December 27th.

Steamboat Company) are trading between Can- of the Transsiberian Ratiwa, and would agree lines is known as the Ping On Company, of as Director, of the Chinese imperial maritime

MADRID, December 27th.

NEW YORK, December 28th. Sachem ..... ever since that date by the Steambost Co,'s I to an interview with the World, Wu Ting ! Rio The Ping On Company's vessels, which usually among the powers? What's her offence against 300 passengers, do not follow this route, but is incensed, we are told, because two of her across the base of the triengle formed by the my Government will make all the reparation in foreign-sweed vessels. The course is only its power. It never refused to do that. Never about 50 miles by one soute and 33 miles by having refused there is no reason for German another channel and it is therefore clear that ships of war to seize Chinese territory. They increasing passenger trade with the numerous partition Turkey? Everybody knows she was fowns and cities slorg their route, a great long the scourge of Europe and time and syain advantage over their rivals both in time and made bloody conquests, some of which she still fuel consumed en voyage. It may be argued holds. On the other hand the Chinese kept well that the Chinese authorities have a perfect right within her own territory, and never disturbed to allow vessels under the Chinese flag to run | the peace of Europe. As for Russia, I have no | Bayern. . 31st December-Kintuck, Montia, wherever they please; that foreign vessels are motion that she intends to take any of our rightly prevented from trading at or carrying territory without our cordial consent. Russia Antenor, 12th January-Formosa, Sargedon, passengers to other than the ports and places | may get concessions, but I do not think that mentioned in the Treaty and "Regulations of | mesos that we will be divided up and handed Trude on the West River," And the fact of | around like cakes?

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR

Meteorological means based on ten years! observations to 1895.

Thermometer ......50 4 Humidity ......74 0 Rainfall..... 1.67

TO-DAY. WEATHER PEPORT. On date at On'date at Barometer ..... 30 41 Thermameter ...... 59

Hum'dity..... Ralofall ...... Friday, 28th January, 1898.

Chinese-7th of 1st moon of \$4th year of Kwong-sil Jewish-6th Sobat, 5658. Mohammedan-51h Ramadan, 1815. . Sun-Rises ..... 6hr. Somin. Sets ..... 5hr. 30min. High water-Morning ..... Ohr. SSmin.

> Afternoom ..... 7kr. 18min. ANNIVERSARIES.

Afternoon ..... 1hr. 37min.

Low water-Morning ..... 6kr. 49min.

1725-Peter the Great dled. 1946-Battle of Allwal; Sikh loss 6,000. 1864 - Piratical atteck on the Danish brig Chico, near Hongkong.

1878-Tre 74th Highlanders arrived in Hong-

1871 - Sunender of Paris after a siege of 131

TO-MORROW. .

Salurday, 20th January, 1808 Chinese-8th of 1st moon of 25th year of

KWONE-1". Jewish-6th Sebat, 5658. Mohammedan-6th Ramadan, 1818. Sun-Rises ..... Ghr. Somin.

Sets ..... 5kr 31min. Moon-First Quarter 30hr, 3min. p.m. High water-Morning ...... 1kr. 15min. Attarnoom ! ..... 2hr. 19min. Low water-Morning ...... 7hr. 15min. Afternoon ..... 8hr. 48min.

ANNIVERSARIES. 1733-Yung-ching issued a decree forbidding. under pain of death, the propagation of the Christian faith in China.

1820 - George III, died. 1823-Dr. Edward Jonner die !. 1833-First Reformed Parliament met. 1871-Capitulation of Paris. 1897-Persons on rellef in India numbered

2,025,000

MEMORANDA.

'TO-MORROW, -29th January. is far from what it should be. In order that II s.m .- H.E. the Governor will lay the foundation of the new reformatory near CRUSCWAY BAY,

firmly suppressed. A'l the fereigner wants is a Noon .- Meeting of the Steamboat Co.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE : French (Natal) 30th inst. Indian (Suisang) 1st prox. American (Caina) 5th prox. Australian (Atelle) 6th prox. Tacoma (Victoria) 7th prox. American (Belgic) 12th prox.

THE N. P. S. S. Co.'s steamer Brasmar arrived at Victoria from Yokobama on the 24th inst.

THE N. P. S. S. Co.'s steamer Olympia salled from Postland for Japan and Hongkong on the 25th inst.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carlill & Co.) inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer Lombard has arrived at Yokohams from Port and

WE are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Gibb, at home. Livingston & Co.) that the E. & A.S. S. Co.'s steamer Airlie, from Sydney, etc., left Port Darwin for this port yesterday, the 27th inst.

SHIPPING RETURNS. From 6 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS. Changsha .....steamer, from Japan. Port Adelatds ..... , , Singapore BOTHEO, ISSUEDING Oslo " Fanton... Canton LOONEMOOR ...... Bangkok A lacrity ..... desp-vessel

Aggregating 12,089 tons register.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The following is the sixty-fifth report of the Court of Directors to the ordinary half-yearly. general meeting of shatcholders to be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the xath February, at noon :-

The net profits for the half-year ending, 31st December 1897, including \$301, 147 90; bilance brought forward from last account, after paying all charges, deducting interest paid and due, and making provision for bad and doubtful accounts, amount to \$2,419 736,24.

The Directors recommend the transfer \$1.00,000 from the profit shid loss account to credit of reserve food, which fund will then stand at \$8,000 000. They also propose to write \$100,000 off dead

stock, being the amount standing at debit of the After making these transfers and deducting remuneration to Directors there remains for appropriation" \$1,314 736,24, out of which the

Directors recommend a dividend of one poind and five shillings sterling per share, which will absorb \$444.44. The difference in exchange between 4/6, the

rate at which the dividend is declared, and 1/11% the rate of the day, amounts to \$571,428.58. profit and loss account. DIRECTORS.

The Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving has been elected Chaleman for the year 1898, and Mr. R. M. Gray, Deputy Chairman. Mr. St. C. Michaelsen having resigned his which it is a forgery. - . seat on leaving the colony, Mr. Armin Haupt has been elected in his stead; the appointment

requires confirmation at this meeting Messes, G. B. Dodwell, R. Stewan and R. L. Richardson retire in rotation and being eligible for re-election offer themselves accordingly. The Directors very much regret to have to record the death of their colleague Mr. Gerald

The accounts have been audited by Mr. F Henderson and Mr. C. S. Sharp who offer themselves for re-election.

Sinde, issi November

· J. J. Balt-Inving, Chairman. Hongkorg, 27th January, 1898.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, . LIMITED.

SEVINTEINTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The General Managers have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders a statement of the Company's Accounts for the year 1807. Including \$1,769.13 brought forward from last

year and after deducting \$10,000 paid on 28th July last as an interim dividend of \$2.00 per share, the balance at credit of Piofit & Loss is \$53,940 51 which it is recommended should be appropriated as follow :--

A Final dividend of \$5.50 per share...\$27,500 00 To write off Property Account ...... 35,000.00 To carry forward...... 1,440 52.

\$53,940,52 The amount to be provided for the extension to the works will be somewhat larger than the original estimate owing to the increased cost of building, and the lower exchange at which payment has now to be made for plant from Eng- The design to provide for the Verandah rails land, delay having been experienced in obtaining being of fron. delivery of the new machinery, consequent upon the general dislocation of the engineering trade

With this in view the General Managers recommend that the amount above mentioned should be wiltten off Property Account. The -buildings for the new plant are now in course of prection to better accompdate which a small extension of land has been acquired from the Government at a moderate cost. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managérs. Hongkony, 26th January, 1808.

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Singapore by 30th April, 1898, and cin beforwarded direct to the undersigned. 5. The Town Hall must form part of the same building as the Theatre, but the two should not communicate with each other except by the

Verandahs. 6. The building to be provided with sufficient dressing, closk, cord and smoking rooms, bars, promenader, Ac, and to be surrounded with a Verandah not less than 15 feet in width.

7. Ki chen and accommodation for four servants to be arranged on the roof. It is proposed to erect the building of grey

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9. No bisement required but the lower floor to be raised at least 4 feet above the ground as the site is low.

to. The rainfall in Singapore is very heavy, six inches and more sometimes failing in que day. The 100f and guttering should therefore be designed to allow of the rapid escape of a large quantity of water. it. Tiles are the scoling material of the

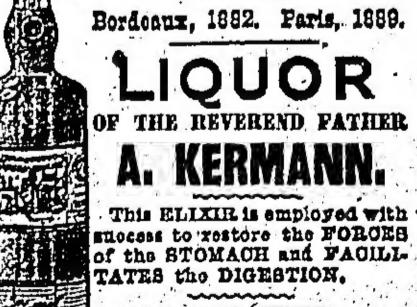
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Superintendent. Hongkong, 24th January 18c8 FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 28th instant will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel

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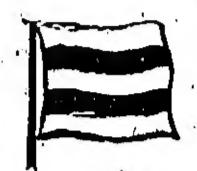
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[161 Hongkong, 27th January, 1898. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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> Hongkong, 13th January, 1898. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. NOTICE.

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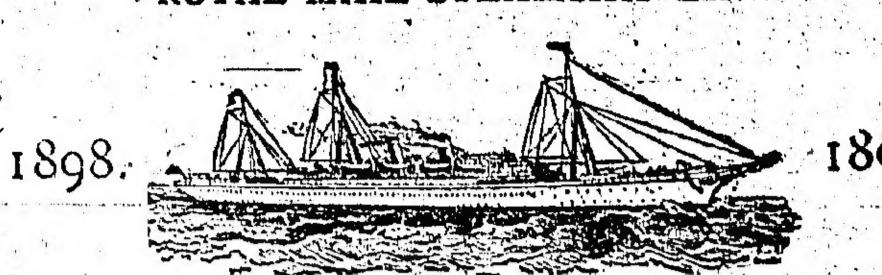
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